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## PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

### FCC Appeals Review

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Extension of Time Appeal for FRNs: 2632176, 2632284, 2632229, 2632294, 2632145, 2632243, 2632300,  
2632329, 2705038, 2632251, 2705371

Billed Entity Name: School District U-46

Billed Entity Number: 135381

471 Application Number: **955619**

Funding Year: 7/1/2014 – 6/30/2015

FCC Appeal Decision: "DENIED"

Dear FCC Appeals Review,

School District U-46 is filing this Petition for Reconsideration pursuant to the decision issued in DA # 16-600. According to note 14 on page 4 of the notification letter, the denial was based on non-extraordinary issues that caused the request for payment deadline to be missed.

However, in fact, the extraordinary problem started when an executive level manager contracted with an inexperienced consultant that caused this deadline to be missed. The manager has since been terminated and legal proceedings have been initiated to ensure the consultant does not harm other school districts. USAC will be notified of the consultant and to request them barred from the program.

Since then, the School District has returned all ERATE tasks to a previous ERATE administrator to bring all ERATE work back to the school district. The new ERATE administrator is currently training staff and has successfully completed all FY16 applications.

With the financial situation of the school district, and the current economic outlook, we respectfully request that the FCC allow School District U-46 to resubmit BEAR forms to request payment for the already approved and encumbered funding in the above applications. This funding was slated to help pay for upcoming FY16 wireless projects.

Gratefully,

Please send all replies to me at the above address or my email address below. Thank you in advance for your reconsideration,

Sincerely,

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